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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

in re application of

Gilles GUICHARD et al.

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GROUP 1624

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Examiner B. Kifle

STABILIZED ACTIVATED DERIVATIVES  
OF CARBAMIC ACID, THEIR PROCESS OF  
PREPARATION AND THEIR USE FOR THE  
PREPARATION OF UREAS

SECOND FURTHER PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to the first Official Action on the merits,  
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly amend claim 12 as follows:

--12. (twice amended) Compounds according to claim 9,  
having the formula (Ibis) in which  $1 < n < 4$ , X is selected from the  
group consisting of p-nitrophenol, N-hydroxysuccinimide,  
pentafluorophenol, hydroxy-1,2,3-benzotriazole and imidazole, and  
GP is an oxycarbonyl group or acyl group.--

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